

**Table 54-3 Percentage of high school completers enrolled in college, by age and race–ethnicity: October 1972–97**

October	Ages 18–24				Ages 25–34				Age 35 or older			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Total	White	Black	Hispanic
1972	31.9	32.6	27.2	25.8	8.4	8.4	8.8	7.5	—	—	—	—
1973	29.7	30.2	23.8	29.1	8.2	8.1	7.7	10.7	—	—	—	—
1974	30.5	30.6	26.2	32.3	9.3	9.1	10.8	10.0	—	—	—	—
1975	32.5	32.3	31.5	35.5	9.9	9.6	11.5	11.3	—	—	—	—
1976	33.1	32.8	33.4	35.9	9.6	9.2	11.9	11.0	2.3	2.1	4.1	3.9
1977	32.5	32.3	31.3	31.5	10.3	9.8	13.9	12.4	—	—	—	—
1978	31.4	31.3	29.6	27.1	9.1	8.8	10.8	10.2	2.4	2.2	3.8	4.2
1979	31.2	31.3	29.4	30.2	9.1	8.9	9.2	11.6	2.4	2.3	3.3	2.9
1980	31.8	32.1	27.6	29.9	8.9	8.7	9.6	9.2	2.1	2.0	3.4	2.9
1981	32.4	32.7	28.0	29.9	9.0	8.5	10.2	10.8	2.3	2.1	3.7	4.0
1982	33.0	33.3	28.1	29.2	8.9	8.7	9.6	9.7	2.2	2.1	2.7	2.9
1983	32.5	33.0	27.0	31.5	9.1	8.7	8.8	9.8	2.3	2.2	2.7	3.1
1984	33.2	33.9	27.2	29.9	8.6	8.4	8.0	9.9	2.1	2.0	2.7	1.8
1985	33.7	34.9	26.0	26.8	8.7	8.6	7.5	9.7	2.3	2.2	2.9	3.4
1986	34.0	34.5	28.6	29.4	8.3	7.9	7.9	10.4	2.4	2.2	3.3	3.4
1987	36.0	37.2	29.1	28.2	8.1	7.9	7.9	8.9	2.3	2.3	2.6	2.5
1988	37.0	38.4	27.8	30.8	8.0	7.8	7.5	7.8	2.7	2.6	3.3	3.4
1989	38.0	39.7	30.5	28.3	8.2	8.3	6.2	7.1	2.5	2.5	2.1	3.7
1990	39.0	40.3	32.4	28.4	8.6	8.7	5.9	7.0	2.7	2.6	2.9	3.9
1991	40.8	42.3	30.8	33.9	9.0	8.7	8.1	8.6	2.7	2.6	3.4	2.9
1992	41.6	42.5	33.4	36.1	8.6	8.5	6.7	8.5	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.7
1993	41.0	42.0	32.2	34.9	8.5	8.2	8.1	9.5	2.6	2.4	3.3	3.1
1994	42.2	43.6	35.5	32.9	9.5	9.1	9.7	10.1	2.7	2.5	3.5	4.3
1995	42.1	43.7	35.2	34.9	9.4	9.3	9.1	8.0	2.6	2.4	3.5	3.8
1996	43.3	45.0	35.7	33.8	9.7	9.1	10.9	9.8	2.6	2.4	3.7	3.4
1997	44.9	46.4	39.3	35.8	9.4	9.1	9.0	7.5	2.6	2.4	3.7	2.5

— Not available.

NOTE: In 1994, the survey instrument for the Current Population Survey (CPS) was changed and weights were adjusted. See the supplemental note to *Indicator 51* for further discussion. Included in the total but not shown separately are high school completers from other racial–ethnic groups.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, October Current Population Surveys.